

Jordan Heights

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Monthly Meeting Dates

April 16
May 14
June 18
July 16
Aug 13
Sept 17
Oct 15
Nov 19
Dec 17

*Meeting are held the 3rd
Thursday @ Sacred Heart
Hospital Conference Room 2AB
Free Parking.*

SERV Allentown
education civiçs community

3rd Annual Volunteerism Awards Celebration

<http://www.allentownpa.gov/Government/Mayors-Office/Create-the-Good>

d for you to nominate that special individual that you see standing in the gap of community needs, who consistently answers the call of volunteerism. Important dates to remember are:

- All volunteer nominees must be submitted by end of day 4:30 p.m. - April 10, 2015
- Selected volunteers will be notified by April 15, 2015 to be invited to an awards presentation by Mayor Ed Pawlowski
- Dinner awards celebration will be April 23, 2015

436 N 6th Street

Following one failed attempt after another to find a taker, the

Allentown Redevelopment

Authority plans to demolish a former funeral home turned apartment building.

The authority will ask the the Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Office for permission to raze

428-436 N. Sixth St., possibly paving the way for someone to redevelop the vacant property. Shannon Calluori, the authority's acting executive director, told the board earlier this month that the authority had put out several requests asking for proposals to develop the property with no success.

"That's why I think it's OK to demolish this property," she said.

The authority had used federal grant money to purchase and maintain the property, and the building is in a district eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, necessitating approval from state historic officials to demolish the building, according to Calluori.

The building had been two single-family homes before it was carved into 11 tiny, poorly constructed apartments, Calluori said. The investment of federal grant money into the property places income restrictions for any rental project a developer might undertake and no one has offered to buy out the federal money, she said.

"The numbers just don't work for low-income housing to rehab it," Calluori said. The Housing Association and Development Corp. had submitted a proposal for 428-436 N. Sixth St. that included packaging the property with another authority-owned property - 315-317 N. Seventh St. - and using state tax credits to build at least 50 affordable rentals between the two sites.



A witch's cap is installed at 616 N. Sixth Street, Allentown

Workers with Allentown's Housing Association & Development Corp. restore an architectural feature called a witch's cap at a property at 616 N. Sixth Street in Allentown. Witch's caps were once common in downtown Allentown, said Eric Weiss, Resource Development Coordinator for HADC. Over the... DONNA FISHER / THE MORNING CALL

